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LOW PROFILE HEAT EXCHANGER WITH NOTCHED TURBULIZER

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

Dear Commissioner:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 10, 2006. In the Office Action, the Examiner has required Applicants to elect a single disclosed main species (one of Figs. 2, 15, 16, or 17), one turbulizer plate subspecies (Fig. 8. or Fig. 9), one cover plate subspecies (Figs. 4, 10, 11, or 12), and one mounting hole subspecies (Figs. 14a, b, c, or d) for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the species shown in Figure 2. Applicants submit that claims 1-6 and 17-20 are generic to the species, and that claims 1-14 and 17-20 read on the elected species.

With respect to the turbulizer plate subspecies, pursuant to a telephone conference between the undersigned attorney and the Examiner on March 13, 2006, it was discussed that there was in fact a third turbulizer plate subspecies, as shown in Figure 3. Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the turbulizer plate subspecies shown in Figure 3. Applicants submit that

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claims 1-20 read on this elected subspecies so, accordingly, elected claims 1-14 and 17-20 read on this subspecies.

With respect to the cover plate subspecies, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the subspecies shown in Figure 4. Applicants submit that claims 1-20 read on this elected subspecies so, accordingly, elected claims 1-14 and 17-20 read on this subspecies.

With respect to the mounting hole subspecies, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the subspecies shown in Figure 14B. Applicants submit that claims 1-20 read on this elected subspecies so, accordingly, elected claims 1-14 and 17-20 read on this subspecies.

If the Examiner has any further questions regarding the matter, the Examiner is directed to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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